

**Minutes of Ordinary Council Meeting held remotely and livestreamed on Council's website on 8 February 2022**

**Meeting commenced at 6.33pm**

**Present:**

Darcy Byrne	Mayor
Jessica D'Arienzo	Deputy Mayor
Liz Atkins	Councillor
Marghanita Da Cruz	Councillor
Mark Drury	Councillor
Dylan Griffiths	Councillor
Mathew Howard	Councillor
Justine Langford	Councillor
Pauline Lockie	Councillor
Philippa Scott	Councillor
Kobi Shetty	Councillor
Chloe Smith	Councillor
John Stamolis	Councillor
Timothy Stephens	Councillor
Zoi Tsardoulis	Councillor
Peter Gainsford	General Manager
Simone Plummer	Director Planning
Cathy Edwards-Davis	Director Infrastructure
Ruth Callaghan	Director Community
Peter Livanis	Director Corporate
Beau-Jane De Costa	Senior Manager Governance and Risk
Daryl Jackson	Chief Financial Officer
Matthew Pearce	General Counsel
Katherine Paixao	Governance Coordinator

**APOLOGIES:** Nil

**DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS:**

Deputy Mayor, Clr D'Arienzo declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 5 Ending Period Poverty in the Inner West as her partner is a long-term hall hirer of Marrickville Youth and Resource Centre (MYRC), a site identified for the trial. Through her partner's business she regularly engage in exercise classes at MYRC. She will remain in the meeting during discussion and voting of the item as the conflict will not influence her in taking out her public duty.

Clr Drury declared a significant, pecuniary interest in Item 4 Extension of Flood Controls under NSW Flood Prone Land Package as his house is in a 1:100 flood zone which will be affected by this. He will leave the meeting during discussion and voting of the item.

Clr Howard declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 5 Ending Period Poverty in the Inner West as his principal place of residence is adjacent to one of the trail sites. He will remain in the meeting during discussion and voting on the item as he will not access the trail and have no other conflict with the trail program or the community organisation.

Clr Howard declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 6 Councillor Representation on Committees and Item 10 Local Traffic Committee Meeting - November and December 2021 as he works in the Office of the State Member who has a representative on the Local Traffic Committee. He will remain in the meeting during discussion and voting on both items as the vote of the State Member is exercised through a representative.

Clr Atkins declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 20 Notice of Motion: Community Festivals as in the past they have been an participant and vaguely involved in the organisation of St. Anmore. They will remain in the meeting during discussion and voting of the item as the conflict is not sufficient enough to absent them from the item.

## **Motion: (Scott/Stephens)**

**THAT Council note the disclosures of interest.**

### **Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:** Nil

## **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

### **Motion: (Drury/Da Cruz)**

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 23 November 2021 and Wednesday, 29 December 2021 be confirmed as a correct record.

### **Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:** Nil

## **PUBLIC FORUM**

The registered speakers were asked to address the meeting. The list of speakers is available on the last page of these minutes.

### **C0222(1) Item 1 Mayoral Minute: ULURU Statement**

### **Motion: (Byrne)**

**That Council:**

1. Reaffirm its support for the Uluru Statement from the Heart and Council's commitment to enacting its principles;
2. Consult with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Consultative Committee as to how to best incorporate the *Uluru Statement from the Heart* into Council's Community Strategic Plan;

3. Seek a briefing on the current status of the Inner West Council's Reconciliation Action Plan;
4. Receive an update to the August 2018 Resolution to "THAT the General Manager write to the CEO of the Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council with a view to commencing negotiations towards the signing a Principles of Co-operation Agreement between Inner West Council and The Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council ('Metro').";
5. Seek to establish links with other First Nations organisations such as Boomalli and Deadly Connections which are based in the Local Government Area and regional organisations such as Jumbunna at University of Technology Sydney and Koori Radio/Yabun; and
6. Consult on supporting the creation of places and times for Truth Telling.

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:** Nil

**C0222(1) Item 2 Mayoral Minute: Demerger Survey**

**Motion: (Byrne)**

**That Council:**

1. Commences the preparation of a business case for demerger and notifies the NSW Government of the commencement of the development of a business case for demerger;
2. Notes the concerns expressed by Council officers through the resolution of the Joint Consultative Committee about the impact of demerger on morale and productivity within the organisation and commits to engaging with Council staff and their representatives throughout the development of the business case;
3. Notes the overwhelming majority vote of the Inner West Community to demerge; and
4. Involve the community in the preparation of the business case.

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:** Nil

**Amendment (Langford/Shetty)**

**That Council:**

1. Note that the proposal to de-amalgamate must be a proposal in support of the demerger (Section 218CC point 3); and

2. Notes that the de-amalgamation process should be a whole of Council process and involve all 15 Councillors. All Councillors should be invited to all meetings with the Minister or her representatives.

**Motion Lost**

**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, Griffiths, Langford, Lockie, Shetty and Stamolis  
**Against Motion:** Crs Byrne, D'Arienzo, Drury, Howard, Scott, Smith, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**C0222(1) Item 3    Mayoral Minute: Council's response to COVID-19 and the Omicron wave**

**Motion: (Byrne)****That Council:**

1. Receive a report to the March Ordinary meeting outlining the range of actions Council is taking to support local residents, staff, organisations and businesses through the pandemic and proposing any additional actions Council can take now to assist in the crisis and recovery phases; and
2. Continue to advise councillors on daily Inner West COVID numbers (positive cases, vaccination rates) and changes to the health order.

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis  
**Against Motion:** Nil

**Procedural Motion (Drury)**

**That the motion be put.**

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Byrne, D'Arienzo, Drury, Howard, Scott, Smith, Stephens and Tsardoulis  
**Against Motion:** Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, Griffiths, Langford, Lockie, Shetty and Stamolis

**Amendment (Da Cruz/Atkins)**

**That Council consult with local mental health organisations such as Rough Patch Counselling, Summer Hill Safe Space, P&Cs etc. and receive recommendations on our role in providing the community with mental health support to emerge from COVID in a safe way and to recover from the isolation from work colleagues, separation from family and friends that we have all experienced with Covid.**

**Motion Lost**

**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, Griffiths, Langford, Lockie, Shetty and Stamolis  
**Against Motion:** Crs Byrne, D'Arienzo, Drury, Howard, Scott, Smith, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Procedural motion (Scott/Griffiths)**

**That Items 4, 8, 9, 11 and 12 be moved in globo and the recommendations contained within the report adopted and that Council change the order of business to bring forward these items.**

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:** Cr Stamolis

**C0222(1) Item 4 Extension of Flood Controls under NSW Flood Prone Land Package****Motion: (Scott/Griffiths)**

**That Council endorse the adoption of the proposed Special Flood Considerations clause in Section 5.22 of the NSW Standard Instrument (Local Environmental Plans) into the Inner West Local Environmental Plans.**

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:** Cr Stamolis

**C0222(1) Item 8 National General Assembly of Local Government 2022****Motion: (Scott/Griffiths)****That Council:**

- 1. Give consideration to Councillors attending the National General Assembly of Local Government 2022; and**
- 2. Put forward any proposed motions, that meet the National General Assembly's criteria, for Council consideration, by 7 March 2022.**

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:** Cr Stamolis

**C0222(1) Item 9 Proposed Local Government Remuneration Tribunal Submission 2022****Motion: (Scott/Griffiths)**

**That Council endorse and submit the proposed Local Government Remuneration Tribunal Submission in Attachment 2, by Friday 11 February 2022.**

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:** Cr Stamolis

**C0222(1) Item 11 Investment Report at 30 November 2021**

**Motion: (Scott/Griffiths)**

**That Council receive and note the report.**

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:** Cr Stamolis

**C0222(1) Item 12 Investment Report at 31 December 2021**

**Motion: (Scott/Griffiths)**

**That Council receive and note the report.**

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:** Cr Stamolis

**C0222(1) Item 5 Ending Period Poverty in the Inner West**

**Motion: (Scott/Smith)**

**That Council:**

1. Supports the ending of period poverty and would like to initiate a 12-month trial of free period care product services using an End to End Servicing provider at the following locations across the Local Government Area:
  - a) Addison Road Community Centre;
  - b) Ashfield library/Ashfield Service Centre;
  - c) Marrickville Youth Resource Centre;
  - d) Summer Hill Neighbourhood Centre;
  - e) Ashfield Aquatic Centre;
  - f) Leichhardt Park Aquatic Centre;
  - g) Marrickville Library;
  - h) Balmain Library; and

- i) **Newtown Neighbourhood Centre after its move to new premises or other appropriate site in Newtown.**
- 2. **Endorse \$225,000 funding for this trial to form part of the budget consideration for the 2022/23 financial year; and**
- 3. **Works on this project commencing in February 2022, with a report back at the April 2022 Ordinary meeting of Council.**

**Motion Carried****For Motion:**

Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:**

Nil

**C0222(1) Item 6 Councillor Representation on Committees****Motion: (Scott/Drury)**

**THAT Council appoint the following Councillors as representatives on the identified Committees:**

- a) **Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee – Councillors Scott and Atkins;**
- b) **Flood Management Advisory Committee - Councillors Howard and Da Cruz;**
- c) **Local Traffic Committee – Mayor Byrne and alternative Councillor Langford;**
- d) **GM Performance Assessment Panel – Mayor Byrne and Councillors Howard and Langford;**
- e) **Club Grants – Deputy Mayor D'Arienzo;**
- f) **Cooks River Alliance Board –Deputy Mayor D'Arienzo and alternative Councillor Langford;**
- g) **NSW Public Libraries Association – Councillors Howard and alternative Councillor Langford;**
- h) **Parramatta River Catchment Group – Councillor Drury and alternative Councillor Scott;**
- i) **Southern Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils - Mayor Byrne, Deputy Mayor D'Arienzo and alternative Councillors Da Cruz and Lockie;**
- j) **Sydney Airport Community Forum – Mayor Byrne;**
- k) **Sydney Coastal Council Group – Councillor Griffiths; and**
- l) **Sydney Eastern City Planning Panel – Mayor Byrne and Councillor Scott.**

**Motion Carried****For Motion:**

Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:**

Cr Stamolis

**Procedural Motion (Scott)**

**That the amendment be put.**

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Byrne, D'Arienzo, Drury, Howard, Scott, Smith, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:** Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, Griffiths, Langford, Lockie, Shetty and Stamolis

**Amendment (Griffiths/Langford)**

**That the General Manager's Performance Review Panel have five representatives comprising Councillors Liz Atkins, Darcy Byrne, Justine Langford, Pauline Lockie and Philippa Scott.**

**Motion Lost**

**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, Griffiths, Langford, Lockie, Shetty and Stamolis

**Against Motion:** Crs Byrne, D'Arienzo, Drury, Howard, Scott, Smith, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Amendment (Stamolis)**

**That Cllr Stamolis be appointed to the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee.**

This amendment lapsed for want of seconder.

**C0222(1) Item 7 Local Government NSW Special Conference 2022****Motion: (Scott/Da Cruz)**

**That Council nominate the following Councillors to attend the Local Government NSW Special Conference 2022:**

- a) Atkins;
- b) Da Cruz;
- c) Shetty;
- d) Lockie;
- e) Byrne;
- f) D'Arienzo;
- g) Drury;
- h) Stephens; and
- i) Smith



**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:** Nil

**Amendment (Da Cruz/Atkins)**

**That Council put this motion forward to the LGNSW Special Conference:**

**That LGNSW advocate to the NSW government to assist councils to play a crucial to a Zero Waste Circular Economy, where there is no place for Incinerators including for Medical waste.**

**Motion Lost**

**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, Griffiths, Langford, Shetty and Stamolis

**Against Motion:** Crs Byrne, D'Arienzo, Drury, Howard, Lockie, Scott, Smith, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Procedural Motion (Scott)**

**That the amendment be put.**

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Byrne, D'Arienzo, Drury, Howard, Scott, Smith, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:** Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, Griffiths, Langford, Lockie, Shetty and Stamolis

**Amendment (Atkins/Stamolis)**

**That Council insert the following clause:**

**Agrees to seek to move the following motion as a matter of urgency at the Local Government NSW Conference 2022:**

**That LGNSW:**

- 1. Note the 2020 demerger proposals resulting from community petitions in Cootamundra-Gundagai Council and Snowy Rivers Council area;**
- 2. Note the subsequent demerger proposal from Cootamundra-Gundagai Council;**
- 3. Note the poll results from Inner West Council area at the 2021 Council elections with over 62% supporting a demerger;**
- 4. Note the significant rate increases requested and approved by IPART for merged Councils (as attached);**
- 5. Call on the Minister for Local Government, the Hon Wendy Tuckerman, and the NSW Government to show leadership by:**
  - a) Conducting independent polls of all eligible voters in each of the 2016 merged Council areas to determine the support for a demerger versus staying merged;**
  - b) Commit to conducting these polls by end of December 2022;**

- c) Commit to implementing the results of the poll within 12 months of the result of the poll; and
- d) Commit to funding any Council demergers as determined by the polls

**Motion Lost**

**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, Griffiths, Langford, Lockie, Shetty and Stamolis  
**Against Motion:** Crs Byrne, D'Arienzo, Drury, Howard, Scott, Smith, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**C0222(1) Item 10 Local Traffic Committee Meeting - November and December 2021**

**Motion: (Drury/Scott)**

That the Minutes of the Local Traffic Committee meeting held on 15 November 2021 and 6 December 2021 be received and the recommendations be adopted subject to the following amendments:

- a) That a briefing of ward Councillors be held on the Rozelle North Local Area Traffic Management Study following community engagement and prior to it being reported back to the Local Traffic Committee; and
- b) That a briefing for all Councillors regarding Tempe Bunnings DA and traffic control issues and commit to a date for Council to hold a community forum in person, circumstances allowing, near Tempe Primary School.

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis  
**Against Motion:** Nil

**Procedural Motion (Byrne)**

That the meeting be adjourned for 5 minutes.

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis  
**Against Motion:** Nil

The meeting was adjourned at 8.47pm

The meeting resumed at 8.53pm

Councillor Da Cruz left the Meeting at 9:01 pm.

**C0222(1) Item 13      Notice of Motion: Demerger of Inner West Council****Procedural Motion (Scott)**

**That the motion be put.**

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Byrne, D'Arienzo, Drury, Howard, Scott, Smith, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:** Crs Atkins, Griffiths, Langford, Lockie, Shetty and Stamolis

**Absent:** Cr Da Cruz

Councillor Da Cruz returned to the Meeting at 9:05 pm.

**Motion: (Langford/Stamolis)****That Council:**

- 1. Acknowledge that the poll conducted by NSW Electoral Commission on 4 December 2021 showed that a significant majority of Inner West Council residents voted YES to de-amalgamate and return to the councils of Ashfield, Leichhardt and Marrickville;**
- 2. Respect the results of the poll and commit to working with the community, Council staff and the State Government to ensure the decision to demerge is upheld and implemented by Council and the State Government;**
- 3. Write to the Minister for Local Government, The Hon Wendy Tuckerman MP and the Premier, Dominic Perrottet asking them to respect and uphold the decision of inner west voters to de-amalgamate the Council and return to the three councils of Leichhardt, Marrickville and Ashfield;**
- 4. Seeks the assurance from the Minister for Local Government and the Premier that they will honour the government's commitment as set out in the NSW Local Government Act and will pay the full costs of the demerger;**
- 5. Notes the procedure for the demerger of a Council is as outlined in Section 218CC of the Local Government Act 1993 as below:**

**Schedule 1 Amendment of Local Government Act 1993 No 30****1.1 Amendments concerning local government rating system****[1] Section 218CC****218CC Proposals for de-amalgamations**

**(1) The new council may, within 10 years of the constitution of the new area, submit a written business case to the Minister setting out—**

**(a) a proposal for the de-amalgamation of the new area, whether by reconstituting the former areas or constituting different areas, and**

**(b) the reasons in support of the proposal.**

(2) The Minister must, within 28 days after the business case is submitted, refer the de-amalgamation proposal to the Boundaries Commission with a direction that it conduct an inquiry and report on the proposal.

(3) Without limiting subsection (2) or section 263, the Boundaries Commission may in its report recommend that—

- (a) the de-amalgamation proposal be supported, or
- (b) the de-amalgamation proposal be rejected, or
- (c) a different de-amalgamation proposal be supported.

(4) The Minister must ensure that the report of the Boundaries Commission is publicly released within 48 hours after it is provided to the Minister.

(5) The Minister must, within 28 days after the report is provided to the Minister, provide a written response to the new council setting out—

- (a) whether or not the Minister supports the de-amalgamation proposal or a different de-amalgamation proposal recommended by the Boundaries Commission, and
- (b) the reasons for the Minister's decision, and
- (c) if the Minister supports the de-amalgamation proposal or the different de-amalgamation proposal—the anticipated time frame for giving effect to the proposal.

(6) The Minister is, by making grants under section 620 or using money otherwise appropriated by Parliament for the purpose, to ensure that the cost of any de-amalgamation of the new area resulting from a business case submitted under this section is fully funded.

(7) This section extends to new areas constituted before the commencement of this section.

(8) In this section—

*new area* means the area constituted by the amalgamation of areas (former areas) by the relevant proclamation.

*new council* means the council of a new area constituted by section 219.

*relevant proclamation* means the proclamation made pursuant to Chapter 9, Part 1 that amalgamates former areas into the new area and constitutes the new council.

6. Immediately commence preparation of a business case pursuant to Section 218CC of the Local Government Act for approval by Council and then submission to the Minister for Local Government setting out:

- a) the proposal for the de-amalgamation of the Inner West Council, and reconstituting the former areas of Leichhardt, Marrickville and Ashfield Council areas, and
- b) the reasons in support of the proposal.

7. Works with the community, staff and the State Government to ensure a strong business case FOR de-amalgamation is developed by Council.
  - a) The cost of the development of this business case to be funded from the 2022/23 Budget with reimbursement sought afterwards.
8. Prepare a report outlining the proposal for governance, process, timeline and community consultation with regards to the development of the YES business case for de-amalgamation for the first Council meeting in March;
9. Works with the community, staff and state government to ensure the business case for a demerger is developed and fully funded and delivered to the Minister for Local Government by 30 November 2022;
10. Work to ensure the business case is approved and implemented by the state government with a goal to have all three councils re-established by the start of the next term of council, being September 2024;
11. Keep the community informed about the project through Inner West Council News, social media and a webpage dedicated to the demerger project on the Council website;
12. In line with its commitment to provide protection for Council staff jobs, immediately commence proactive negotiations with the unions and the Joint Consultative Committee to enter into an Memorandum of Understanding which will confirm existing employment protections for non-senior staff as provided for in the Local Government (NSW) Act 1993 and seek to extend these employment protections by a further two years following the de-amalgamation;
13. Commits to no-forced redundancies of staff employed by Council during the demerger process and supports the right of staff to return to employment with their original Council, or express a preference to move to another local government area following the demerger; and
14. Form a Demerger Committee involving a minimum of 4 Councillors to meet every 4 weeks (and at other times as needed).

**Motion Lost****For Motion:**

Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, Griffiths, Langford, Lockie, Shetty and Stamolis

**Against Motion:**

Crs Byrne, D'Arienzo, Drury, Howard, Scott, Smith, Stephens and Tsardoulis

Councillor Stamolis left the Meeting at 09:15 pm.

**C0222(1) Item 14 Notice of Motion: Inner West Labor Policy Platform**

**Procedural Motion (Scott)**

That the motion be put.

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Byrne, D'Arienzo, Drury, Howard, Scott, Smith, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:** Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, Griffiths, Langford, Lockie and Shetty

**Absent:** Cr Stamolis

**Motion: (Howard/Scott)**

That Council:

1. Notes the policy objectives put forward by the Labor Councillors as detailed in Attachment 1;
2. Notes that these objectives enhance and support the Community Strategy Plan; and
3. Takes into consideration these policy objectives when drafting Council's four-year Delivery Plan and annual Operational Plan and Budget.

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Byrne, D'Arienzo, Drury, Howard, Scott, Smith, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:** Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, Griffiths, Langford, Lockie and Shetty

**Absent:** Cr Stamolis

Councillor Stamolis returned to the Meeting at 09:16 pm.

**C0222(1) Item 15 Notice of Motion: Enhancing Democratic Participation**

**Procedural Motion (Scott)**

That the motion be put.

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Byrne, D'Arienzo, Drury, Howard, Scott, Smith, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:** Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, Griffiths, Langford, Lockie, Shetty and Stamolis

**Motion: (Scott/Drury)**

That Council:

1. Amend the meeting schedule for 2022 to resume the practice of one Ordinary Council meeting per month to be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, with a recess in January and July each year;
2. Notes that these meetings will alternate with Councillor briefings;
3. Notes the terms of the current Local Democracy Groups conclude in June 2022 and commences planning to improve the current Committee system and strengthen the involvement of local citizens in policy development and decision making;

4. Prepares a report on this to be tabled at the April 2022 Ordinary meeting; and
5. Notes that the Council must adopt a Code of Meeting Practice, and requests that staff report back on amendments to the current Code of Meeting Practice Policy that would enhance the efficient management of Council meetings and more effectively respond to residents' concerns.

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Byrne, D'Arienzo, Drury, Howard, Scott, Smith, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:** Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, Griffiths, Langford, Lockie, Shetty and Stamolis

Councillor Stamolis left the Meeting at 9:28 pm.

**C0222(1) Item 16 Notice of Motion: Customer Service Review**

**Motion: (Scott/Drury)**

**That Council:**

1. Initiates a Customer Service Review and reports to Council on what actions could be implemented to make the Council more responsive to the ratepayers;
2. Convenes a sub-committee comprising Councillors, staff, resident representatives and external advisors to assist with the scope and preparation of a report that will investigate initiatives designed to:
  - a) A timeline and implementation plan for developing a Customer Experience Plan including a Citizen Service Charter;
  - b) A timeline and implementation plan for reducing the time to assess development applications to 60 days;
  - c) Review Council's complaints function including expansion of the functions of the Ombudsman to be more focused on customer service;
  - d) The review and adoption of new technologies to improve transparency around maintenance schedules so residents can know when and where maintenance is due to occur in their Neighbourhood;
  - e) The development of "Your Say" stalls directly in neighborhoods on key issues impacting the community;
  - f) The establishment of a citizen service point in every library and a mobile citizen service van to bring Council administration directly to ratepayers;
  - g) Improve interactions between residents and Council; and
  - h) Improve responsiveness of council to resident requests or complaints.

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:** Nil

**Absent:** Cr Stamolis



Councillor Stamolis returned to the Meeting at 9:33 pm.

**C0222(1) Item 17      Notice of Motion: Expediting the Greenway Project**

**Procedural Motion (Scott)**

**That the motion be put.**

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:**                    Crs Byrne, D'Arienzo, Drury, Howard, Scott, Smith, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:**            Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, Griffiths, Langford, Lockie, Shetty and Stamolis

**Motion: (Stephens/Drury)**

**That Council:**

1. **Notes the vital importance of the GreenWay Project as an integrated active transport and environmental corridor for communities in the Inner West;**
2. **Notes that the suspension of services on the Inner West Light Rail may provide opportunities for expediting the construction of the Greenway Project; and**
3. **Reviews the timeline for the completion of the project and brings forward where possible the delivery of planned works within the Light Rail Corridor.**

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:**                    Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:**            Nil

**C0222(1) Item 18      Notice of Motion: City West Link and Waratah Street**

**Motion: (Stephens/Howard)**

**That Council:**

1. **Acknowledges that the intersection of City West Link and Waratah Street is dangerous for pedestrians and cyclists;**
2. **Notes the intersection now requires a two-stage crossing, with inadequate storage in the middle of the busy road leaving pedestrians and cyclists at risk;**
3. **Notes there have been a number of accidents at the location and while Transport for NSW have proposed a future pedestrian and cyclist overpass, urgent action must be taken now;**
4. **Requests staff write to Transport for NSW to request that the crossing be changed to a single phase crossing as a matter of urgency while further safety plans are developed; and**
5. **Note and request an update on LTC1021(1) Item 15 in the Minutes of the 18 October Council meeting, subsequently adopted by Council on 9 November, that TfNSW will investigate this: "The IWBC representative requested a review of the intersection of**



the City West Link and Waratah Street to prevent vehicles from hitting the pedestrian refuge. The representative also requested that improvements be made to the pedestrian crossing signals on the City West Link at Waratah Street to prevent confusion where pedestrians are crossing the western section of the road on the red pedestrian phase when the green pedestrian phase is only active for the eastern section of the road. "

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:** Nil

**C0222(1) Item 19 Notice of Motion: FOGO Food Recycling**

**Motion: (Howard/Atkins)**

**That Council:**

1. Commits to provide food organics and organics waste recycling (FOGO) to every home in the Inner West in the current term of Council;
2. Requests Council staff report on progress to achieve this objective and on how FOGO expansion will be included in the 2022-2023 Council Budget;
2. Requests Council officers provide a briefing on the status of work being conducted with Southern Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils (SSROC) to establish a food recycling transfer station in the Inner West Local Government Area (LGA);
3. Thanks staff for the work to implement FOGO in apartment buildings in the Inner West;
4. Recommits to provide FOGO to every home in the Inner West in the current term of Council;
5. Requests Council staff report to Council in April on progress to achieve this objective and on how FOGO expansion will be included in the 2022-2023 Council Budget; and
6. Requests Council officers provide a briefing on the status of work being conducted with SSROC to establish a food recycling transfer station in the Inner West LGA.

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:** Nil

**C0222(1) Item 20 Notice of Motion: Community Festivals**

**Motion: (Smith/D'Arienzo)**

**That Council:**

1. Notes that many residents are seeking entertainment in outdoor venues as per public health advice that outdoor gatherings reduce risk of COVID-19 transmission;
2. Notes the detrimental impact that ongoing COVID-19 outbreaks have on the arts and culture sector in the form of lost revenue and employment;
3. Notes the imperative for Council to provide immediate and ongoing support to the arts and culture sector and prioritise local community engagement, including holding community events which can be enjoyed safely;
4. Notes the success of the St.Anmore music festival in supporting live music events in outdoor public spaces;
5. Notes the intention of festival organisers to run St.Anmore in November 2022, and the support of organisers for expansion of the festival;
6. Commences immediate planning work with festival organisers to support St.Anmore to proceed in November 2022, in a COVID-safe manner as per public health advice, and be included in the 2022-23 budget;
7. Commences immediate planning work with festival organisers to facilitate expansion of St.Anmore across all five wards of the Local Government Area (LGA) during this term of Council;
8. Commences immediate planning work to support and budget for a series of outdoor film screenings, to be held when feasible as per public health advice, in local parks across the LGA on a rotating basis; and
9. Commences immediate planning work to support and budget for an Inner West Film Festival to be established in partnership with local cinemas, theatres, and filmmakers, to take place in summer 2022-23.

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:** Nil

**Procedural Motion (Scott)**

**That the motion be put.**

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Byrne, D'Arienzo, Drury, Howard, Scott, Smith, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:** Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, Griffiths, Langford, Lockie, Shetty and Stamolis

## Amendment (Atkins/Griffiths)

That Council:

### 1. Amends Clause 6 to:

Seeks a report from Council staff about the funding and resources necessary to support festivals similar to St.Anmore across all five wards of the Local Government Area (LGA) during this term of Council, including an analysis of the effect of this expansion on currently resourced festivals and events across the Inner West;

### 2. Inserts the following clause:

Consult the community across the LGA about the types of festivals they would like to see in their ward;

### 3. Amends Clause 9 to:

Seeks a report from staff about support and budget for an Inner West Film Festival to be established in partnership with local cinemas, theatres, and filmmakers, to take place in summer 2022-23.

## Motion Lost

**For Motion:**

Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, Griffiths, Langford, Lockie, Shetty and Stamolis

**Against Motion:**

Crs Byrne, D'Arienzo, Drury, Howard, Scott, Smith, Stephens and Tsardoulis

Councillor Griffiths left the Meeting at 10:26 pm.

## C0222(1) Item 21 Notice of Motion: Tree Development Control Plan

## Procedural Motion (Scott)

That the motion be put.

## Motion Carried

**For Motion:**

Crs Byrne, D'Arienzo, Drury, Howard, Scott, Smith, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:**

Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, Langford, Lockie, Shetty and Stamolis

**Absent:**

Cr Griffiths

Councillor Griffiths returned to the Meeting at 10:27 pm.

## Motion: (Smith/Drury)

That Council:

1. Notes the many benefits tree plantings provide to our suburbs, including street cooling, beautification, carbon dioxide absorption, and wildlife habitation;
2. Notes Council's support for a record \$3m budget commitment for new tree planting in the 2021-22 financial year, and the more than 4,000 trees planted across the Inner West between 2020-2022;
3. Notes Council's support for an amendment to the four year operating plan to include a minimum \$2m investment in tree planting each year;
4. Notes that the Tree Management Development Control Plan (DCP) is scheduled for

review in this term of Council;

5. Notes that plantings of 'micro forests' are being trialed in cities across the world and in Australia, with research showing they have the potential to exponentially increase biodiversity and carbon reduction in dense urban environments;
6. Supports a commitment to allocate funding of no less than \$2m for new tree planting in the next Council budget for the 2022-23 financial year; and
7. Supports in principle Council staff's amendments to the Tree Management DCP. Commences immediate planning work to support a trial of 'micro forests' planted across the Local Government Area.

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Byrne, D'Arienzo, Drury, Howard, Scott, Smith, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:** Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, Griffiths, Langford, Lockie, Shetty and Stamolis

**C0222(1) Item 22 Notice of Motion: Local Environmental Plan**

**Procedural Motion (Scott)**

That the motion be put.

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Byrne, D'Arienzo, Drury, Howard, Scott, Smith, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:** Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, Griffiths, Langford, Lockie, Shetty and Stamolis

**Motion: (D'Arienzo/Griffiths)**

That Council:

1. Upon completion publishes the place based and heritage studies that will be informing the Comprehensive Local Environmental Plan;
2. Develops a community consultation plan demonstrating broad community and stakeholder engagement; and
3. Provides a briefing on the timeline and strategies of the consultation plan.

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:** Nil

## Confidential Session

### Motion: (Drury/Lockie)

That Council enter into Confidential session.

### Motion Carried

**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:** Nil

That in accordance with Section 10A(1) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, the following matters be considered in Closed Session of Council for the reasons provided:

### **C0222(1) Item 23 RFT 06-21 Greenway In-Corridor Works Design and Construction**

**Tender** (Section 10A(2)(c) of the *Local Government Act 1993*) that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

### **C0222(1) Item 24 Paramatta Road Urban Amenity Improvement Program - Dot Lane Project Acquisition by agreement of an easement at the rear of 343-345 Parramatta Road, Leichhardt**

(Section 10A(2)(c) of the *Local Government Act 1993*) that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

### Motion: (Lockie/Atkins)

That Council move back into the Open Session of the Council Meeting.

### Motion Carried

**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:** Nil

## **REPORTS WITH CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION**

### **C0222(1) Item 23 RFT 06-21 Greenway In-Corridor Works Design and Construction Tender**

### Motion: (Drury/Griffiths)

That Council note the report and commit to completing the Greenway in this term of Council. However, Council defer consideration of the Tender to be considered at the next Council meeting after we have more advice on:

- a) Alternative funding sources if the state and federal government do not provide adequate financial grants to support the project;
- b) Councils current budget and debt position;
- c) Whether it was possible to get support from Sydney Water or any other source for the wetlands;

d) How the Arts program will be funded; and

e) On what additional steps Council could afford take to maximise the biodiversity and ecological value of the Greenway.

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:** Nil

**C0222(1) Item 24** Paramatta Road Urban Amenity Improvement Program - Dot Lane Project Acquisition by agreement of an easement at the rear of 343-345 Parramatta Road, Leichhardt

**Motion: (Drury/Scott)**

**That:**

1. Confidential Attachments 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 to the report be treated as confidential in accordance with section 10A of the Local Government Act, 1993 as they relate to a matter or matters specified in sections 10A(2)(c) and (d)(ii) of that Act;
2. Council resolves to:
  - a) acquire by agreement an easement being a right of carriageway at the rear of 343-345 Parramatta Road, Leichhardt in accordance with the Draft Deposited Plan prepared by D Singh of Total Surveying Solutions Pty Ltd, dated 19 November 2021 and the S88B instrument setting out the terms of the easement (Easement) at Confidential Attachment 5 to the Report;
  - b) pay compensation to Western Prestige Pty Ltd of \$260,000 for the Easement and the additional associated costs of fencing, creating and registering the Easement, Western Prestige's legal and valuation fees and bank costs and Council's valuation fees;
3. Authorise the General Manager to sign all documents to acquire the Easement by agreement, any deeds setting out the terms and obligations of the parties, and register the Easement; and
4. Authorise the General Manager to negotiate a compensation amount up to \$50,000 for any other persons establishing an interest in the land as defined by the *Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991*.

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:** Nil

## **Procedural Motion (Lockie/Scott)**

**That the Second Quarter Budget Review for 2021/22 matter be considered urgently.**

### **Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:** Nil

The Chair, Councillor Byrne ruled this matter urgent.

### **Motion: (Drury/Da Cruz)**

**That the Second Quarter Budget Review for 2021/22 as attached to the minutes of the Council meeting 8 February 2022 be noted and determine whether it be adopted at the next Council meeting.**

### **Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:** Nil

Meeting closed at 10.46pm.

## **PUBLIC SPEAKERS:**

<b>Item #</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Suburb</b>
<b>Item 1:</b>	Pat Anderson AO	Carlton
<b>Item 2:</b>	Brian Halstead	Spit Junction
<b>Item 7:</b>	Grantley Ingram	Bombala
<b>Item 13:</b>	Pip Hinman	Newtown
	Markela Panegyres	Newtown
	Brian Halstead	Spit Junction
<b>Item 16:</b>	Liz Locksley	Dulwich Hill
<b>Item 22:</b>	Liz Locksley	Dulwich Hill
<b>Item 23:</b>	Alex Lofts	Summer Hill

Tabling of Urgency Motion 2021/22 Second Quarter Budget Review

**Subject: 2021/22 SECOND QUARTER BUDGET REVIEW**

**Prepared By:** Daryl Jackson - Chief Financial Officer

**Authorised By:** Peter Livanes - Director Corporate

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## **RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT the Second Quarter Budget Review for 2021/22 be adopted.**

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## **BACKGROUND**

The Quarterly Budget Review Statement is a regular progress report prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1993 (s404(5)) and Local Government Regulation 2004 (Cl203(2)), namely that the Responsible Accounting Officer report quarterly on a budget review statement to adequately disclose the Council's overall financial position.

## **DISCUSSION**

This second quarter budget review has been built in line with the new reporting structure replacing the past structure. The reporting structure now includes twenty-nine service units, against the past sixteen reporting service units.

This report provides a comprehensive high-level overview of Council's financial position as at 31 December 2021. Any forecast results are projections as at 30 June 2022. Council has updated its projected budget result to \$32.3 million, this is an increase of \$11.6 million from the 2021/22 Adopted Budget. Excluding capital revenue, a deficit of \$6.9 million has been projected against the Adopted Budget Deficit of \$4.4 million.

During the quarter, a detailed review of both operating and capital budgets have been undertaken reconfirming the budget projections for the current financial year.

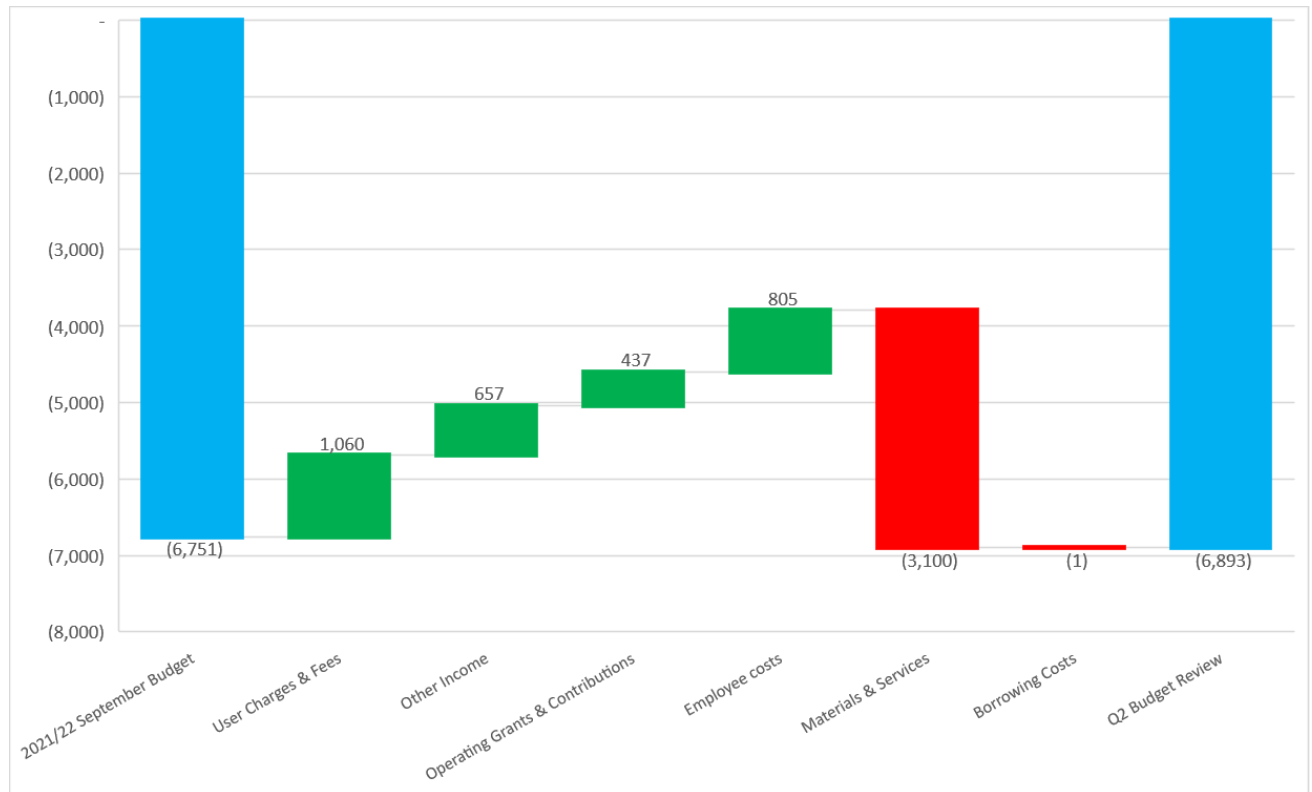
The change in the Full Year Operating Budgeted Result Before Capital Grants and Contributions is predominantly due to:

- User Charges and Fees increased \$1.1m primarily reduce due to
  - Increase in revenue from aquatic services due to restrictions being eased early than projected as well as higher utilisation
  - Increase in revenue from restorations and road access income from higher-than-expected construction activity
  - Decrease in revenue for environmental compliance levy for the second half of the financial year due to change in regulation.
- Other Income has been adjusted by \$0.7m predominately to reflect year to results in the second quarter
- Employee Costs net reduction is allocated towards Materials and Services for contracted works in relation to restorations
- Increase in Material & Services to fund expenditure of agency costs (funded by vacant positions in Employee Costs), additional expenditure for restoration works (offset by revenue generated) and grant funded project expenditure.



The graph below at figure 1. illustrates these movements.

**Figure 1. Changes in the Full Year Operating Budgeted Result Before Capital Grants and Contributions**



Cash Flow forecasts of major projects will be monitored ensuring the expenditure remains in line with the budget. December 2021 year to date capital expenditure totals approximately \$19.9m.

## **Summary of Budget Movements**

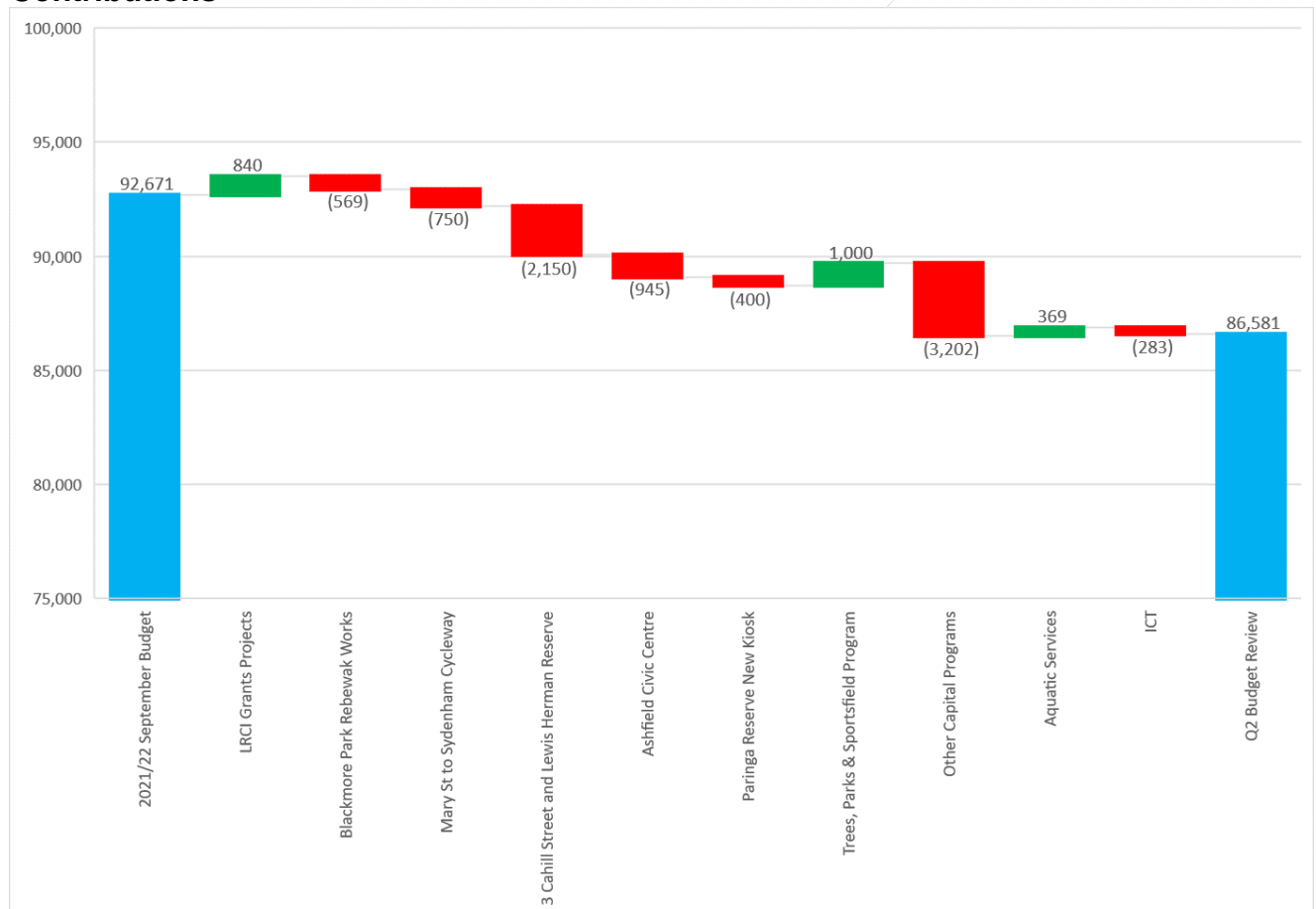
The following are key movements with a brief explanation and impact on Council's budget:

- Decreased Capital Expenditure \$6.1m is primarily due to deferral of projects to future years - refer to Item 1 in Attachment 1 and illustrated below in figure 2.
- Forecast Increase in revenue relating to User Charges & Fees -
  - Development Assessment – (\$0.6m) as a result of removal of environmental compliance levy for second half of financial year
  - Aquatics Services - \$1.1m as a result of earlier easing of restrictions and higher utilisation of aquatic facilities
  - Engineering Services - \$0.5m restorations and road access income from higher-than-expected construction activity.
- Forecast Increase in Other Income –
  - Parking & Ranger Services - \$0.6m to reflect year to dates results

- Forecast decrease in Capital Grants \$0.3m - Item 5 & 27 in Attachment 1.
- Forecast decrease in Employment Costs –
  - Vacant positions moved to Material & Services to fund agency costs for the and vacant positions funding contractors for restoration works.
- Forecast increase in Materials and Services -
  - To fund expenditure of agency costs (funded by vacant positions in Employee Costs), additional expenditure for restoration works (offset by revenue generated) and grant funded project expenditure.

The Capital Budget will be reviewed throughout the financial year on an ongoing basis with the capital works managers. Changes to the Capital Works will be brought to Council through future QBRs. The graph at figure 2. reflects changes in the timing of projects. Details can be found within the December 2021 QBRs Movement (attached)

**Figure 2. Changes in the Full Year Capital Budget including Capital Grants and Contributions**



**Responsible Accounting Officer Budget Review Statement**

Section 203(2) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 requires a report by Council's responsible accounting officer regarding the Council's financial position at the end of each quarter. The following statement is made in accordance with this clause.

*"It is in my opinion that the Budget Review Statement for Inner West Council for the period ending 31 December 2021 indicates that Council's projected financial position at 30 June will be satisfactory, having regard to the projected estimates of income and expenditure and the original budgeted income and expenditure."*

Daryl Jackson, Chief Financial Officer (Responsible Accounting Officer)  
- Inner West Council

**ATTACHMENTS**

1. [Download](#) December 2021 QBRS Financial Statements & Movements

## December 2021 QBRs Financial Statements & Movements.

### 1) Primary Financial Statement

Description	Original Budget \$'000	Approved Changes September \$'000	Current Budget \$'000	Proposed Adjustments \$'000	Forecast Budget \$'000	Actual YTD \$'000
<b>Income</b>						
Rates & General Revenue	123,703	-	123,703	-	123,703	62,572
User Charges & Fees	45,071	(7,452)	37,619	1,060	38,679	18,413
Domestic Waste Charge	37,459	-	37,459	-	37,459	18,850
Interest Income	4,205	(242)	3,963	-	3,963	1,524
Other Income	22,342	(5,533)	16,809	657	17,466	5,773
Operating Grants & Contributions	10,006	(101)	9,905	437	10,342	3,135
Capital Grants & Contributions	25,054	14,471	39,525	(323)	39,202	9,734
Profit or Loss on Disposal	(1,606)	-	(1,606)	-	(1,606)	293
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>266,234</b>	<b>1,143</b>	<b>267,377</b>	<b>1,831</b>	<b>269,208</b>	<b>120,294</b>
<b>Expense</b>						
Employee costs	120,930	(10,265)	110,665	(805)	109,860	57,786
Materials & Services	55,699	20,496	76,195	3,100	79,295	33,133
Borrowing Costs	979	-	979	1	980	501
Depreciation & Amortisation	31,983	-	31,983	-	31,983	16,045
Other Expenses	35,984	(21,203)	14,781	-	14,781	7,233
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>245,575</b>	<b>(10,972)</b>	<b>234,603</b>	<b>2,296</b>	<b>236,899</b>	<b>114,698</b>
<b>Operating Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>20,659</b>	<b>12,115</b>	<b>32,774</b>	<b>(465)</b>	<b>32,309</b>	<b>5,596</b>
<b>Operating Surplus/(Deficit) before Capital</b>	<b>(4,395)</b>	<b>(2,356)</b>	<b>(6,751)</b>	<b>(142)</b>	<b>(6,893)</b>	<b>(4,138)</b>
<b>Capital Expenditure</b>						
Capital Works Program	91,664	(2,051)	89,613	(6,090)	83,523	18,359
Loan Principal	3,058	-	3,058	-	3,058	1,517
<b>Total Capital Expenditure</b>	<b>94,722</b>	<b>(2,051)</b>	<b>92,671</b>	<b>(6,090)</b>	<b>86,581</b>	<b>19,876</b>
<b>Funding</b>						
Net Working Capital Drawdown	38,914	(14,166)	24,748	(5,625)	19,123	(42,081)
Net Overheads Reallocation	-	-	-	-	-	-
Depreciation Contra	35,149	-	35,149	-	35,149	16,507
<b>Total Funding</b>	<b>74,063</b>	<b>(14,166)</b>	<b>59,897</b>	<b>(5,625)</b>	<b>54,272</b>	<b>(25,574)</b>
<b>Net Budget Position</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(39,854)</b>

#### 2) December 2021 QBRS Movements

Item	Description	\$'000 Movement
	<b>Income</b>	
	<b>User Charges &amp; Fees</b>	
2	Increased Revenue - Aquatic Services	1,055
5	Increased Revenue - Capital Projects	25
7	Increased Revenue - Civil Maintenance	60
16	Decreased Revenue - Development Assessment	(625)
17	Increased Revenue - Engineering Services	490
42	Increased Revenue - Urban Forest	55
		1,060
	<b>Other Income</b>	
5	Increased Revenue - Capital Projects	77
29	Increased Revenue - Parking & Ranger Services	600
32	Decreased Revenue - People & Culture	(20)
		657
	<b>Capital Grants &amp; Contributions</b>	
5	Decreased Revenue - Capital Projects	(344)
27	Increased Revenue - Living Arts	21
		(323)
	<b>Operating Grants &amp; Contributions</b>	
5	Increased Revenue - Capital Projects	107
7	Increased Revenue - Civil Maintenance	100
27	Increased Revenue - Living Arts	10
40	Increased Revenue - Traffic & Transport Planning	100
42	Increased Revenue - Urban Forest	120
		437
	<b>Total Income</b>	<b>1,831</b>

Item	Description	\$'000 Movement
	<b>Operating Expenditure</b>	
	<b>Employee costs</b>	
2	Increased Expenditure - Aquatic Services	623
3	Increased Expenditure - Building Certification	118
4	Increased Expenditure - Business Excellence	130
5	Decreased Expenditure - Capital Projects	(87)
6	Decreased Expenditure - Children's Services	(1,713)
7	Decreased Expenditure - Civil Maintenance	(466)
8	Increased Expenditure - Communications, Engagement & Corporate Strategy	36
9	Decreased Expenditure - Community Centres	(31)
10	Decreased Expenditure - Community Management	(44)
11	Decreased Expenditure - Community Venues	(16)
12	Decreased Expenditure - Community Wellbeing	(99)
13	Increased Expenditure - Corporate Management	36
14	Increased Expenditure - Corporate Support Services	4,400
15	Decreased Expenditure - Customer Service	(64)
16	Decreased Expenditure - Development Assessment	(30)
17	Increased Expenditure - Engineering Services	81
18	Decreased Expenditure - Environmental Health & Building Regulation	(76)
19	Decreased Expenditure - Events	(89)
20	Decreased Expenditure - Facilities Management	(397)
21	Decreased Expenditure - Finance	(109)
22	Increased Expenditure - Governance & Risk	98
23	Decreased Expenditure - ICT	(362)
24	Decreased Expenditure - Infrastructure Management	(9)
25	Decreased Expenditure - Legal Services	(128)
26	Decreased Expenditure - Libraries and History	(269)
28	Decreased Expenditure - Major Projects	(29)
29	Decreased Expenditure - Parking & Ranger Services	(271)
30	Decreased Expenditure - Parks and Streetscapes Operations	(824)
31	Decreased Expenditure - Parks Planning and Recreation	(28)
32	Decreased Expenditure - People & Culture	(27)
33	Decreased Expenditure - Planning Management	(204)
34	Decreased Expenditure - Procurement	(45)
35	Decreased Expenditure - Properties & Strategic Investments	(35)
36	Increased Expenditure - Resource Recovery	31
37	Decreased Expenditure - Resource Recovery Planning	(115)
38	Increased Expenditure - Social and Cultural Planning	33
39	Decreased Expenditure - Strategic Planning	(383)
41	Decreased Expenditure - Urban Ecology	(274)
42	Decreased Expenditure - Urban Forest	(102)
43	Decreased Expenditure - Urban Sustainability	(65)
		(805)
	<b>Materials &amp; Services</b>	
2	Decreased Expenditure - Aquatic Services	(127)
4	Decreased Expenditure - Business Excellence	(25)
6	Increased Expenditure - Children's Services	1,348
7	Increased Expenditure - Civil Maintenance	627
14	Decreased Expenditure - Corporate Support Services	(189)
17	Increased Expenditure - Engineering Services	720
23	Decreased Expenditure - ICT	(47)
30	Increased Expenditure - Parks and Streetscapes Operations	829
32	Decreased Expenditure - People & Culture	(255)
40	Increased Expenditure - Traffic & Transport Planning	100
42	Increased Expenditure - Urban Forest	120
43	Decreased Expenditure - Urban Sustainability	(1)
		3,100
	<b>Borrowing Costs</b>	
2	Increased Expenditure - Aquatic Services	1
		1
	<b>Total Operating Expenditure</b>	<b>2,296</b>

Item	Description	\$'000 Movement
	<b>Capital Expenditure</b>	
	<b>Materials &amp; Contracts</b>	
2	Increased Expenditure - Aquatic Services	369
5	Decreased Expenditure - Capital Projects	(6,176)
23	Decreased Expenditure - ICT	(283)
		(6,090)
	<b>Total Capital Expenditure</b>	<b>(6,090)</b>
	<b>Net Working Capital Drawdown</b>	
2	Decrease - Aquatic Services	(189)
3	Increase - Building Certification	118
4	Increase - Business Excellence	105
5	Decrease - Capital Projects	(6,128)
6	Decrease - Children's Services	(365)
7	Increase - Civil Maintenance	1
8	Increase - Communications, Engagement & Corporate Strategy	36
9	Decrease - Community Centres	(31)
10	Decrease - Community Management	(44)
11	Decrease - Community Venues	(16)
12	Decrease - Community Wellbeing	(99)
13	Increase - Corporate Management	36
14	Increase - Corporate Support Services	4,211
15	Decrease - Customer Service	(64)
16	Increase - Development Assessment	595
17	Increase - Engineering Services	311
18	Decrease - Environmental Health & Building Regulation	(76)
19	Decrease - Events	(89)
20	Decrease - Facilities Management	(397)
21	Decrease - Finance	(109)
22	Increase - Governance & Risk	98
23	Decrease - ICT	(692)
24	Decrease - Infrastructure Management	(9)
25	Decrease - Legal Services	(128)
26	Decrease - Libraries and History	(269)
27	Decrease - Living Arts	(31)
28	Decrease - Major Projects	(29)
29	Decrease - Parking & Ranger Services	(871)
30	Increase - Parks and Streetscapes Operations	5
31	Decrease - Parks Planning and Recreation	(28)
32	Decrease - People & Culture	(262)
33	Decrease - Planning Management	(204)
34	Decrease - Procurement	(45)
35	Decrease - Properties & Strategic Investments	(35)
36	Increase - Resource Recovery	31
37	Decrease - Resource Recovery Planning	(115)
38	Increase - Social and Cultural Planning	33
39	Decrease - Strategic Planning	(383)
40	Increase - Traffic & Transport Planning	0
41	Decrease - Urban Ecology	(274)
42	Decrease - Urban Forest	(157)
43	Decrease - Urban Sustainability	(66)
	<b>Total Net Working Capital Drawdown</b>	<b>(5,625)</b>

### ITEM 1 – Capital Projects Movement from September QBRS

Item	Description	2021-22 \$'000 Movement	Commentary
1		(6,090)	
	<b>Capital Projects</b>		
	Regional Roads Renewal	(550)	Projects deferred with grant submissions expected for future years.
	Local Roads Renewal	728	Inclusion of additional projects funded by the Local Roads & Community Infrastructure Grants.
	Kerb & Gutter Renewal	450	Inclusion of additional projects funded by the Local Roads & Community Infrastructure Grants.
	Roadside Furniture	(200)	Roadside furniture replacement deferred to future years to allow for planning.
	Footpaths Renewal	(147)	Deferral of various projects due to WestConnex.
	Footpaths Upgrade	(200)	Design to be completed for Pritchard St & Bayview Cres Stone Wall Block in 2021/22 financial year with construction in 2022-23 financial year.
	Traffic Facilities	50	Church Street rollover kerb added per LTC1120 Item 8 (Nov20), Richmond Avenue Landscape Blister added per LTC0921(1) Item 3 (Sep21) and Richardson Crescent deferred.
	Stormwater Renewal	92	Inclusion of the reline pipeline at Ness Avenue.
	Cycleways	(1,115)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (\$120k) RR02 (West Street) deferred to 2022/23 with intention of grant application to be submitted.</li> <li>• (\$45k) RR04 (Cardigan Street) deferred to 2023-24 as low priority.</li> <li>• (\$750k) Mary St to Sydenham Cycleway WestConnex delays due to traffic light signal approval.</li> <li>• (\$200k) Ashfield bicycle logos transferred to operating expenditure.</li> </ul>
	Car Parks	(165)	Concordia Club Carpark deferred to 2023/24 financial year to allow for plans of management.
	Trees, Parks & Sportfields	1,000	Bringing forward from 2022/23 financial year \$1m for Greenway.
	Parks Capital and Assets Capital	(1,310)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$840k Additional sites for park footpath renewal funded by the Local Roads &amp; Community Infrastructure Grants.</li> <li>• (\$2,150) Adjust timing of 3 Cahill Street and Lewis Herman Reserve funded by Public Spaces Legacy Grant.</li> </ul>
	Sea Walls Capital	(70)	Valuation of seawalls transferred to operating expense.
	Capital Program Children and Family Services	(129)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (\$234k) Deborah Little Early Learning Centre upgrade rephased 30% for works in current financial year and 70% during shut down in 2022/23 financial year.</li> <li>• \$200k Globe Wilkins OSHC refurbishment budget adjustment per Councillor briefing note 24/11/2021.</li> <li>• (\$125k) Tillman Park CCC rephase non urgent toilet upgrade to future year.</li> <li>• \$30k Globe Wilkins OSHC ICT upgrade budget adjustment per quotes provided.</li> </ul>
	Capital Program Community Services	(472)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (\$220k) Leichhardt Town Hall renewal works rephased to 2022/23 financial year for external lighting. Project delayed by Summer Hill Reuse Centre.</li> <li>• (\$302k) Balmain Town Hall Site renewal works budget held for design work in 2022/23 financial year with remaining phased to 2022/23 financial year.</li> <li>• (\$100k) Stone Villa renewal works rephased to 2022/23 financial year.</li> <li>• \$350k Tom Foster Community Centre renewal works additional budget needed for construction work.</li> <li>• (\$100k) Marrickville Town hall internal refurbishment rephased consultancy budget to 2022/23 financial year for feasibility coordinated with EOI. Rephased construction to 2023/24 &amp; 2024/25 financial year.</li> <li>• (\$100k) St Peters Town hall internal refurbishment rephased to 2022/23 financial year.</li> </ul>
	Capital Program Library Services	(413)	Stanmore Branch Library renewal works is pending CANS proposals for library relocation. Rephased to 2025/26 financial year to allow for planning.
	Capital Program Property & Assets	(2,699)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (\$320k) Purchase right of way (Paringa Reserve Land) not required per adopted PoM.</li> <li>• (\$945k) Ashfield Civic Centre upgrade works, retained \$30k for consultants in 2021/22 financial year. Rephased balance to 2022/23 financial year for construction with completion by Summer 2022.</li> <li>• (\$400k) Paringa Reserve Elliot St New Kiosk, retained \$43k in 2021/22 financial year for design and development application with balance rephased to 2022/23 financial year for construction.</li> <li>• (\$200k) Blackmore Park SES building renewal works deferred to 2022/23 financial year to allow for WestConnex monitoring of building. Rephased to 2022/23 financial year for design 10%, remaining 2023/24 financial year for construction.</li> <li>• (\$29k) Café Bones Hawthorne Canal Reserve renewal works rephased to 2022/23 financial year to allow for review.</li> <li>• (\$100k) Gladstone Park upgrade works budget moved to new toilet program project. 2023/24 financial year budget retained for bowling club renewal.</li> <li>• (\$100k) Annandale Town Hall Community Centre refurbishment rephase \$100k to 2022/23 financial year for design balance rephased 2023/24 financial year.</li> <li>• (\$50k) Ashfield Council Depot admin office rephased to 2022/23 financial year for possible follow up works and Reuse Centre/Green Living Centre.</li> <li>• (\$300k) Ashfield Park Begonia House project not required. Funds reallocated to other unfunded projects.</li> <li>• (\$10k) Callan Park Recreational Hall refurbishment rephased to 2025/26 financial year with Callan Park storage upgrade.</li> <li>• (\$60k) Leichhardt Depot Amenities Block retained \$30k for design and rephased balance to 2022/23 financial year for construction.</li> <li>• (\$185k) Ashfield Early Learning Centre refurbishment rephased \$185k to 2022/23 financial year for soft fall, toilet and door renewal.</li> </ul>



Item	Description	2021-22 \$'000 Movement	Commentary
1	Capital Program Trees Parks & Sportsfield	(1,026)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$150k Pioneers Memorial Park renewal works, additional budget required to meet design scope for relocated 3 cubicle facilities, water harvesting, heritage and archaeological requirements.</li> <li>• (\$127k) Camperdown Memorial Rest new toilet rephased to 2022/23 financial year for final contract payments.</li> <li>• (\$130k) Birchgrove Park renewal works rephased to 2022/23 financial year for design and construction.</li> <li>• (\$569k) Blackmore Park renewal works deferred to allow for WestConnex monitoring (SES) of building. Design in 2022/23 financial year and construction in 2023/24 financial year.</li> <li>• (\$200k) Henson Park Charlie Meader Gates and other refurbishments rephased to 2022/23 financial year for building upgrade.</li> <li>• (\$200k) Tempe Reserve Alexandra Canal Amenities rephased to 2022/23 financial year for planning with possibly new modular building.</li> <li>• \$50k inclusion of Gladstone Park new public toilet design costs.</li> </ul>
<b>ICT</b>			
	ICT Applications	(241)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (\$153k) Booking system project classified as operating expenditure per accounting guidelines.</li> <li>• (\$50k) systems integrations project classified as operating expenditure per accounting guidelines.</li> <li>• (\$38k) ITSM 2 project classified as operating expenditure per accounting guidelines.</li> </ul>
	ICT Infrastructure	330	Inclusion of Council approved WAN links renewal project for hardware costs required for the migration of WAN services.
	ICT Collaboration	(122)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$10k ICT collaboration solution and integrate to Call Centre and EDMs</li> <li>• (\$41k) Customer Portal rephased to 2022/23 financial year for new modules built on Council platform.</li> <li>• (\$70k) Intranet project rephased to 2022/23 financial year to complete new intranet solution.</li> <li>• (\$21k) Website phase 2 single customer portal payment gateway is covered by another project and budget removed.</li> </ul>
	ICT Security	(250)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (\$40k) 3rd part application patching consolidated to one security project and phased to future years.</li> <li>• (\$20k) Windows server upgrades consolidated to one security project and phased to future years.</li> <li>• (\$120k) Design and implement Council systems monitoring solution consolidated to one security project and phased to future years.</li> <li>• (\$70k) Security project rephased to 2022/23 financial year for purchase, build and deploy new security solutions.</li> </ul>
<b>Aquatic Services</b>			
	Annette Kellerman Aquatic Leisure Centre	311	ICT setup required for location.
	Fanny Durack Aquatic Centre	58	ICT setup required for location.

#### ITEM 2 – Aquatic Services

Increase User Charges & Fees	\$1,055k
Increase Employee Costs	\$623k
Decrease Materials & Services	\$127k
Increase Borrowing Costs	\$1k
Increase Capital Expenditure	\$369k
Decrease Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$189k

- Increase in user fees & charges due to increased aquatic centre entries as restrictions eased from the middle of October 2021.
- Employee costs decrease due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date and additional casual staff required in quarter two due to increased demand of aquatic services.
- Cleaning and security service of the Ashfield Aquatic Centre reduction to reflect the reduced service from when the aquatic centre was closed from July 2021 to October 2021.

#### ITEM 3 - Building Certification

Increase Employee Costs	\$118k
Increase Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$118k

- Employee costs decrease due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date.

#### ITEM 4 – Business Excellence

Increase Employee Costs	\$130k
Decrease Materials & Services	\$25k
Increase Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$105k

- Increase in employee costs due to the transfer of employee position budget from Communications, Engagement & Corporate Strategy.
- Due to COVID-19, delay in commencing project resulting in decrease in materials & services expenditure.

#### ITEM 5 – Capital Projects

Increase User Charges & Fees	\$25k
Increase Other Income	\$77k
Decrease Capital Grants & Contributions	\$344k
Increase Operating Grants & Contributions	\$107k
Decrease Employee Costs	\$87k
Decrease Capital Expenditure	\$6,176k
Decrease Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$6,128k

- Increase in user charges & fees due to restorations income received to partially fund Sadlier Street restoration and renewal works.
- Increase in other income due to recognising the streetlighting energy savings received in the second quarter.
- Capital grants & contributions movement due to
  - \$1,785k Local Roads & Community Infrastructure Grants recognised in the second quarter.
  - (\$1,689k) Mary Street to Sydenham Cycleway WestConnex grant delayed due to traffic light signal as grants are received upon completion of the project.
  - (\$275k) Regional Road Repair Grants to be submitted in future years.
  - (\$165k) Cycleway grants to be submitted in future years.
- Operating grants and contributions reduction due to the Regional Road Repair Program Supplementary component.
- Employee costs decrease due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date.

#### ITEM 6 – Children's Services

Decrease Employee Costs	\$1,713k
Increase Materials & Services	\$1,348k
Decrease Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$365k

- Employee costs decrease due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date.
- Increase in agency staff costs to fill vacant roles or staff on leave, funded from employee costs.

#### ITEM 7 - Civil Maintenance

Increase User Charges & Fees	\$60k
Increase Operating Grants & Contributions	\$100k
Decrease Employee Costs	\$466k
Increase Materials & Services	\$627k
Increase Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$1k

- Increase in user charges and fees due to higher restoration income received.
- Increase in operating grants to complete works for marking with focus on schools and pedestrian facilities funded by Local Roads & Community Infrastructure Grants.
- Decrease in employee costs offset by increase in contractors to backfill open positions.

#### ITEM 8 - Communications, Engagement & Corporate Strategy

Increase Employee Costs	\$36k
Increase Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$36k

- Employee cost increase because of the inclusion of the external grants officer role.

#### ITEM 9 – Community Centres

Decrease Employee Costs	\$31k
Decrease Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$31k

- Employee costs decrease due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date.

#### ITEM 10 - Community Management

Decrease Employee Costs	\$44k
Decrease Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$44k

- Employee costs decrease due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date.

#### ITEM 11 – Community Venues

Decrease Employee Costs	\$16k
Decrease Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$16k

- Employee costs decrease due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date.

#### ITEM 12 – Community Wellbeing

Decrease Employee Costs	\$99k
Decrease Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$99k

- Employee costs decrease due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date.

#### ITEM 13 – Corporate Management

Increase Employee Costs	\$36k
Increase Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$36k

- Employee costs increase due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date.

#### ITEM 14 - Corporate Support Services

Increase Employee Costs	\$4,400k
Decrease Materials & Services	\$189k
Increase Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$4,211k

- Employee costs increase due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date across Council offset against vacancy target.
- Reduction in material and services due to rephasing operating project to 2022/23 financial year.

#### ITEM 15 - Customer Service

Decrease Employee Costs	\$64k
Decrease Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$64k

- Employee costs decrease due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date.

### ITEM 16 - Development Assessment

Decrease User Charges & Fees	\$625k
Decrease Employee Costs	\$30k
Increase transfer from Net Working funds	\$595k

- Decrease in user charges and fees due to the removal of environment compliance levy revenue from January 2022 per regulation change.
- Employee costs decrease due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date.

### ITEM 17 - Engineering Services

Increase User Charges & Fees	\$490k
Increase Employee Costs	\$81k
Increase Materials & Services	\$720k
Increase Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$311k

- Increase in user charges and fees due to road access income increasing from higher construction activity.
- Increase in employee costs from an additional temporary position because of increased workload demand.
- Materials and services movement due to:
  - Asset management plan update funded from Council salary savings.
  - Agency staff and contractors balanced with Council salary savings and increase in revenue.
  - Valuation of seawalls transferred from capital to operating expenditure due to classification of works.

### ITEM 18 - Environmental Health & Building Regulation

Decrease Employee Costs	\$76k
Decrease Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$76k

- Employee costs decrease due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date.

### ITEM 19 - Events

Decrease Employee Costs	\$89k
Decrease Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$89k

- Employee costs decrease due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date.

### ITEM 20 - Facilities Management

Decrease Employee Costs	\$397k
Decrease Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$397k

- Employee costs decrease due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date.

### ITEM 21 - Finance

Decrease Employee Costs	\$109k
Decrease Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$109k

- Employee costs decrease due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date.

#### ITEM 22 - Governance & Risk

Increase Employee Costs	\$98k
Increase Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$98k

- Employee costs increase due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date.

#### ITEM 23 - ICT

Decrease Employee Costs	\$362k
Decrease Materials & Services	\$47k
Decrease Capital Expenditure	\$283k
Decrease Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$692k

- Employee costs decrease due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date.
- Materials and Services decrease due to moving archiving and storage budget to corporate support.

#### ITEM 24 - Infrastructure Management

Decrease Employee Costs	\$9k
Decrease Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$9k

- Employee costs decrease due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date.

#### ITEM 25 - Legal Services

Decrease Employee Costs	\$128k
Decrease Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$128k

- Employee costs decrease due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date.

#### ITEM 26 - Libraries and History

Decrease Employee Costs	\$269k
Decrease Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$269k

- Employee costs decrease due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date.

#### ITEM 27 – Living Arts

Increase Capital Grants & Contributions	\$21k
Increase Operating Grants & Contributions	\$10k
Decrease Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$31k

- Capital and operating grants increase to align actuals received relating to Street Arts and WestConnex arts projects.

#### ITEM 28 – Major Projects

Decrease Employee Costs	\$29k
Decrease Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$29k

- Employee costs decrease due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date.

#### ITEM 29 - Parking & Ranger Services

Increase Other Income	\$600k
Decrease Employee Costs	\$271k
Decrease Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$871k

- Other income increases to reflect second quarter revenue received.
- Employee costs decrease due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date.

#### ITEM 30 – Parks and Streetscapes Operations

Decrease Employee Costs	\$824k
Increase Materials & Services	\$829k
Increase Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$5k

- Employee costs decrease due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date.
- Increase in agency staff costs to fill vacant roles, funded from employee costs.

#### ITEM 31 - Parks Planning and Recreation

Decrease Employee Costs	\$28k
Decrease Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$28k

- Employee costs decrease due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date.

#### ITEM 32 - People & Culture

Decrease Other Income	\$20k
Decrease Employee Costs	\$27k
Decrease Materials & Services	\$255k
Decrease Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$262k

- Other income decreases to reflect actual revenue received.
- Employee costs decrease due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date.
- Materials & services decrease due to delay in recruiting trainee staff for Council.

#### ITEM 33 – Planning Management

Decrease Employee Costs	\$204k
Decrease Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$204k

- Employee costs decrease due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date.

#### ITEM 34 - Procurement

Decrease Employee Costs	\$45k
Decrease Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$45k

- Employee costs decrease due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date.

#### ITEM 35 - Properties & Strategic Investments

Decrease Employee Costs	\$35k
Decrease Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$35k

- Employee costs decrease due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date.

### ITEM 36 – Resource Recovery

Increase Employee Costs	\$98k
Increase Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$98k

- Employee costs increase due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date.

### ITEM 37 – Resource Recovery Planning

Decrease Employee Costs	\$115k
Decrease Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$115k

- Employee costs decrease due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date.

### ITEM 38 – Social and Cultural Planning

Increase Employee Costs	\$33k
Increase Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$33k

- Employee costs increase due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date.

### ITEM 39 – Strategic Planning

Decrease Employee Costs	\$383k
Decrease Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$383k

- Employee costs decrease due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date.

### ITEM 40 – Traffic & Transport Planning

Increase Operating Grants & Contributions	\$100k
Increase Materials & Services	\$100k
Increase Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$0k

- Allocation of revenue and expenditure relating to the Ashfield bicycle logos funded by Local Roads & Community Infrastructure Grants.

### ITEM 41 – Urban Ecology

Decrease Employee Costs	\$274k
Decrease Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$274k

- Employee costs decrease due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date.

### ITEM 42 – Urban Forest

Increase User Charges & Fees	\$55k
Increase Operating Grants & Contributions	\$120k
Decrease Employee Costs	\$102k
Increase Materials & Services	\$120k
Decrease Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$157k

- Increase in user charges & fees due to additional tree application revenue.
- Increase in operating grants to fund tree maintenance expenditure.
- Employee costs decrease due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date.

#### ITEM 43 – Urban Sustainability

Decrease Employee Costs	\$65k
Decrease Materials & Services	\$1k
Decrease Transfer from Net Working Funds	\$66k

- Employee costs decrease due to salary alignment to actuals for December year to date.

#### 3) COVID-19 Impact

Description	September QBRs			December QBRs		Amended COVID-19 Impact \$'000
	Reduction in Revenue \$'000	Reduction in Expenses \$'000	COVID-19 Impact \$'000	Reduction in Revenue \$'000	Reduction in Expenses \$'000	
Parking Fines	4,778	-	4,778	(600)		4,178
Children Services	1,554	-	1,554			1,554
Parking Meters	1,318	(29)	1,289			1,289
Aquatic Centres	4,296	(3,059)	1,237	(1,055)	496	678
Sports Field Hire	450	(60)	390			390
Community Venue	159	(98)	61			61
Council Property Leases	47	-	47			47
Council Property Leases	39	-	39			39
Debt Collection for Rates Recovery	175	(151)	24			24
Centre Hire	52	(63)	(11)			(11)
<b>Total Reduction of Income</b>	<b>12,868</b>	<b>(3,460)</b>	<b>9,408</b>	<b>(1,655)</b>	<b>496</b>	<b>8,249</b>
Less: Council Savings						
Employee Costs			(7,563)		1,159	(6,404)
Materials & Services			(1,681)			(1,681)
<b>Total Council Savings</b>			<b>(9,244)</b>			<b>(8,085)</b>
<b>Estimated Loss of Revenue from COVID-19</b>			<b>164</b>			<b>164</b>



#### 4) Summary Profit & Loss Statement

Description	Original Budget	Approved Changes September	Current Budget	Proposed Adjustments	Forecast Budget	Actual YTD
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
<b>Income</b>						
Rates & General Revenue	123,703	-	123,703	-	123,703	62,572
User Charges & Fees	45,071	(7,452)	37,619	1,060	38,679	18,413
Domestic Waste Charge	37,459	-	37,459	-	37,459	18,850
Interest Income	4,205	(242)	3,963	-	3,963	1,524
Other Income	22,342	(5,533)	16,809	657	17,466	5,773
Operating Grants & Contributions	10,006	(101)	9,905	437	10,342	3,135
Capital Grants & Contributions	25,054	14,471	39,525	(323)	39,202	9,734
Profit or Loss on Disposal	(1,606)	-	(1,606)	-	(1,606)	293
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>266,234</b>	<b>1,143</b>	<b>267,377</b>	<b>1,831</b>	<b>269,208</b>	<b>120,294</b>
<b>Expense</b>						
Employee costs	120,930	(10,265)	110,665	(805)	109,860	57,786
Materials & Services	55,699	20,496	76,195	3,100	79,295	33,133
Borrowing Costs	979	-	979	1	980	501
Depreciation & Amortisation	31,983	-	31,983	-	31,983	16,045
Other Expenses	35,984	(21,203)	14,781	-	14,781	7,233
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>245,575</b>	<b>(10,972)</b>	<b>234,603</b>	<b>2,296</b>	<b>236,899</b>	<b>114,698</b>
<b>Operating Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>20,659</b>	<b>12,115</b>	<b>32,774</b>	<b>(465)</b>	<b>32,309</b>	<b>5,596</b>
<b>Operating Surplus/(Deficit) before Capital</b>	<b>(4,395)</b>	<b>(2,356)</b>	<b>(6,751)</b>	<b>(142)</b>	<b>(6,893)</b>	<b>(4,138)</b>

#### 5) Service Unit P&L Summary

Description	Original Budget	Approved Changes September	Current Budget	Proposed Adjustments	Forecast Budget	Actual YTD
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
<b>Income</b>						
Aquatic Services	12,664	(4,295)	8,369	1,055	9,424	3,391
Building Certification	804	-	804	-	804	345
Capital Projects	16,840	14,434	31,274	(135)	31,139	5,059
Children's Services	18,655	(1,554)	17,101	-	17,101	8,309
Civil Maintenance	3,272	-	3,272	160	3,432	1,581
Community Centres	134	(52)	82	-	82	26
Community Venues	277	(159)	118	-	118	29
Community Wellbeing	309	(11)	298	-	298	222
Corporate Support Services	139,583	(464)	139,119	(20)	139,099	70,067
Development Assessment	4,671	-	4,671	(625)	4,046	3,201
Economic Development	197	-	197	-	197	-
Engineering Services	3,433	-	3,433	490	3,923	2,169
Environmental Health & Building Regulation	1,405	(56)	1,349	-	1,349	357
Events	45	-	45	-	45	(1)
Facilities Management	69	(39)	30	-	30	53
Libraries and History	603	-	603	-	603	13
Living Arts	6	(1)	5	31	36	35
Major Projects	7,460	-	7,460	-	7,460	3,271
Parking & Ranger Services	14,056	(4,778)	9,278	600	9,878	2,964
Parks and Streetscapes Operations	-	-	-	-	-	1
Parks Planning and Recreation	1,149	(450)	699	-	699	26
Resource Recovery	35,550	(81)	35,469	-	35,469	17,741
Resource Recovery Planning	220	(81)	139	-	139	38
Strategic Planning	1,525	-	1,525	-	1,525	616
Traffic & Transport Planning	3,183	(1,318)	1,865	100	1,965	643
Urban Ecology	14	48	62	-	62	38
Urban Forest	110	-	110	175	285	100
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>266,234</b>	<b>1,143</b>	<b>267,377</b>	<b>1,831</b>	<b>269,208</b>	<b>120,294</b>
<b>Expense</b>						
Aquatic Services	17,346	(3,059)	14,287	497	14,784	6,147
Building Certification	766	-	766	118	884	441
Capital Projects	6,590	20	6,610	(87)	6,523	3,046
Children's Services	18,598	169	18,767	(365)	18,402	8,886
Civil Maintenance	19,122	-	19,122	161	19,283	9,272
Community Centres	759	(63)	696	(31)	665	281
Community Venues	2,594	7	2,601	(16)	2,585	996
Community Wellbeing	2,679	(43)	2,636	(99)	2,537	1,113
Corporate Support Services	51,695	(9,018)	42,677	3,157	45,834	27,980
Development Assessment	6,372	-	6,372	(30)	6,342	3,266
Economic Development	857	88	945	-	945	356
Engineering Services	4,187	-	4,187	801	4,988	2,524
Environmental Health & Building Regulation	3,749	(5)	3,744	(76)	3,668	2,050
Events	1,438	-	1,438	(89)	1,349	314
Facilities Management	10,116	(455)	9,661	(397)	9,264	5,453
Libraries and History	12,196	231	12,427	(269)	12,158	4,892
Living Arts	1,569	52	1,621	-	1,621	549
Major Projects	984	-	984	(29)	955	386
Parking & Ranger Services	9,441	(31)	9,410	(271)	9,139	3,862
Parks and Streetscapes Operations	20,513	-	20,513	5	20,518	9,071
Parks Planning and Recreation	2,302	(95)	2,207	(28)	2,179	1,066
Resource Recovery	30,605	-	30,605	31	30,636	14,481
Resource Recovery Planning	1,283	173	1,456	(115)	1,341	701
Social and Cultural Planning	1,540	212	1,752	33	1,785	1,120
Strategic Planning	5,143	601	5,744	(383)	5,361	1,952
Traffic & Transport Planning	3,334	(29)	3,305	100	3,405	1,494
Urban Ecology	2,075	82	2,157	(274)	1,883	734
Urban Forest	6,194	(4)	6,190	18	6,208	1,500
Urban Sustainability	1,528	195	1,723	(66)	1,657	765
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>245,575</b>	<b>(10,972)</b>	<b>234,603</b>	<b>2,296</b>	<b>236,899</b>	<b>114,698</b>
<b>Operating Surplus/(Deficit) before Capital</b>	<b>20,659</b>	<b>12,115</b>	<b>32,774</b>	<b>(465)</b>	<b>32,309</b>	<b>5,596</b>
<b>Operating Surplus/(Deficit) after Capital</b>	<b>(4,395)</b>	<b>(2,356)</b>	<b>(6,751)</b>	<b>(142)</b>	<b>(6,893)</b>	<b>(4,138)</b>

#### 6) Capital Expenditure Statement

Description	Original Budget	Approved Changes September	Current Budget	Proposed Adjustments	Forecast Budget	Actual YTD
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
<b>Capital Expenditure</b>						
Plant & Equipment	5,971	-	5,971	-	5,971	2,217
Office Equipment	2,359	(321)	2,038	86	2,124	555
Land Improvement (Depreciable)	10,541	5,933	16,474	(1,310)	15,164	2,272
Buildings	24,239	(9,144)	15,095	(4,739)	10,356	904
Aquatic Facilities	600	(500)	100	-	100	5
Seawalls	170	5	175	(70)	105	93
Wharves	-	99	99	-	99	-
Local Roads	5,575	1,170	6,745	728	7,473	1,756
Regional Roads	6,890	(3,335)	3,555	450	4,005	1,304
Bridges	625	469	1,094	-	1,094	440
Footpaths	3,938	(220)	3,718	(347)	3,371	247
Kerb & Gutter	595	(50)	545	450	995	34
Traffic Devices	2,188	657	2,845	50	2,895	72
Car Parks	445	(60)	385	(165)	220	137
Storm Water Drainage	3,728	526	4,254	92	4,346	505
Bicycle facilities	8,937	647	9,584	(1,115)	8,469	1,507
Town Centres	12,669	2,073	14,742	-	14,742	6,341
Roadside Furniture	2,194	-	2,194	(200)	1,994	(30)
Principal Repayments	3,058	-	3,058	-	3,058	1,517
<b>Total Capital Expenditure</b>	<b>94,722</b>	<b>(2,051)</b>	<b>92,671</b>	<b>(6,090)</b>	<b>86,581</b>	<b>19,876</b>
Rates and Annual Charges	(3,166)	(1,078)	(4,244)	(571)	(4,815)	5,210
Operating Grants & Contributions	1,457	(57)	1,400	107	1,507	25
Capital Grants & Contributions	14,708	14,471	29,179	(344)	28,835	4,930
Sale of Assets	2,980	-	2,980	-	2,980	900
Transfer from External Reserves	37,349	(11,305)	26,044	(3,838)	22,206	2,302
Transfer from Internal Reserves	11,641	1,788	13,429	1,007	14,436	4,592
Trf fr Depreciation Contra Reserve	29,753	(5,870)	23,883	(2,451)	21,432	1,917
<b>Total Funding Source</b>	<b>94,722</b>	<b>(2,051)</b>	<b>92,671</b>	<b>(6,090)</b>	<b>86,581</b>	<b>19,876</b>
<b>Net Budget Result</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

#### 7) Cash & Investments – Restricted Held

	Opening Balance - 1 July 2021	Original Budget - Net Movements	Proposed Adjustments	Forecast Budget - Net Movements	Forecast Closing Balance	YTD Balance
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
<b>Externally Restricted</b>						
Developer Contributions	63,573	(15,384)	10,490	(4,894)	58,679	67,647
Specific Purpose Unexpended Grants	8,272	(5,846)	3,903	(1,943)	6,329	7,828
Domestic Waste Management	30,624	(1,599)	108	(1,491)	29,133	28,362
Stormwater Management	1,738	(200)	(273)	(473)	1,265	2,393
Watershed	60	-	-	-	60	60
SRV Income	9,336	(206)	1,494	1,288	10,624	12,625
Mainstreet Levy	240	-	-	-	240	240
3.5% Levy	1,121	-	-	-	1,121	1,121
<b>Total Externally Restricted</b>	<b>114,964</b>	<b>(23,235)</b>	<b>15,722</b>	<b>(7,513)</b>	<b>107,451</b>	<b>120,275</b>
<b>Internally Restricted</b>						
Employment Leave Entitlements	14,927	-	-	-	14,927	15,781
Deposits Retentions & Bonds	20,238	-	-	-	20,238	22,490
Financial Assistance Grant Reserve	2,844	-	-	-	2,844	2,844
Investment Property Reserve	80,907	-	-	-	80,907	80,907
Infrastructure Renewal Reserve	19,446	-	-	-	19,446	19,446
Depreciation Contra Reserve	44,601	0	8,251	8,251	52,852	56,611
<b>Total Internally Restricted</b>	<b>182,962</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8,251</b>	<b>8,251</b>	<b>191,214</b>	<b>198,079</b>
<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>27,620</b>	<b>(14,539)</b>	<b>(4,071)</b>	<b>(18,609)</b>	<b>9,011</b>	<b>60,526</b>
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>325,546</b>	<b>(37,773)</b>	<b>19,902</b>	<b>(17,871)</b>	<b>307,675</b>	<b>378,879</b>
<b>Total Cash &amp; Investments as at 31 December 2021</b>						<b>367,605</b>

Council's cash and investments position sees an unrestricted balance of \$60.5 million as at 31 December 2021. In past quarterly reports the unrestricted portion of the investments were displaced. Council now reports on its total cash and investments position. The unrestricted balance will diminish as Council expends it on operational expenses and capital projects during the financial year. The funds have been invested in accordance with Council's investment policy. As at the end of December 2021 Council's investment portfolio was made up of 100% non-fossil fuel investments.

#### 8) Contracts

Contractor	Contract Detail & Purpose	Contract Value (EXC GST) \$'000	Commencement Date of Contract	Duration Contract	Budgeted (Y/N)
HAKO AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	LPN1.15 - 2 Trucks: Specialised Trucks GP115 - Citymaster 1650 Foot	166	07-Oct-21	One Off	Y
Lahz Nimmo Architects Pty Ltd	RFQ 28-21 Architectural Consultancy for Camperdown Memorial Park	74	19-Oct-21	9 months	Y
Urakawa Jenkins Architecture	RFQ 103-21 Summer Hill Reuse Centre Upgrade	64	20-Oct-21	1 year	Y
HEWSON INDUSTRIES PTY LTD	RFQ 47-21 Pioneer Park Playground Upgrade	110	21-Oct-21	1 year	Y
OZPAVE AUST PTY LTD	RFQ 51-21 (LGP 213-2) - Local Roads Acceleration Program	1,117	27-Oct-21	6 months	Y
OZPAVE AUST PTY LTD	RFQ 60-21 - Mill and Fill - Regional Roads 2021-2022	537	27-Oct-21	6 months	Y
ECS INTERNATIONAL SECURITY	RFT 1-21 Security Surveillance, Patrols, Maintenance & Services	613	01-Nov-21	3 years	Y
DOWNER EDI WORKS	RFQ 64-21 (SSROC T2020-09 - Sustainable Pavements - Paving the Waverley Mill and Fill Services FY2021-2022)	4,095	08-Nov-21	5 months	Y
LEICHHARDT ESPRESSO CHORUS	Partnership Program Agreement - Carols on Norton Street Concert	50	22-Nov-21	7 months	Y
FULTON HOGAN INDUSTRIES PTY LTD	LGP213-2 - Local Roads Asphalt Restorations	91	25-Nov-21	12 months	Y
The Trustee for GLN Planning Unit Trust	Draft Inner West s7.11/7.12 Local Infrastructure Contribution Plan 2022	127	29-Nov-21	1 year	Y
Andrik Construction Group Pty Ltd	RFQ 107-21 Childcare Centres Softfall Resurface Renewal	127	01-Dec-21	2 months	Y
FULTON HOGAN INDUSTRIES PTY LTD	LGP213-2 - Regional Roads Asphalt Restorations	91	02-Dec-21	12 months	Y
A.D CRUICKSHANK & A ROSSI	PRUAIP - NS Parramatta Road Public Art Program - Norton St	232	16-Dec-21	6 months	Y
Sydney Electrical and Data Pty Ltd	RFQ 42-21 LED Lighting Installation Project	162	17-Dec-21	6 months	Y
INTERFLOW PTY LTD	RFQ 97-21 (LGP420) Structural Relining / Patching of Damaged Pipelines	130	21-Dec-21	6 months	Y
Andrik Construction Group Pty Ltd	RFQ 169-21 Globe Wilkins - Internal Fit-Out Works	110	21-Dec-21	2 months	Y
Andrik Construction Group Pty Ltd	RFQ 170-21 Globe Wilkins - External Works Landscaping and Playspa	217	23-Dec-21	2 months	Y

Above is a listing of contracts Council entered into during the period 1 October to 31 December 2021.

#### 9) Consultancy & Legal Expenses

Expense	Expenditure YTD \$'000	Budgeted (Y/N)
External Legal Fees	311	Y
Consultancy Fees	1,682	Y

A consultant is a person or organisation engaged under contract on a temporary basis to provide recommendations or high-level specialist or professional advice to assist decision making by management. Generally it is the advisory nature of the work that differentiates a consultant from other contractors.

Where any expenses for Consultancy or Legal Fees (including Code of Conduct expenses) have not been budgeted for, an explanation is to be given. Report on external expenses only (not internal expenses).